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In the Application of:

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Serial No: 09/801,151

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Title: MEMORY DEVICE HAVING A PROGRAMMABLE REGISTER

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 CFR \$1.97(c))

Submitted herewith is a (modified) citation Form PTO-1449, along with a copy of each of the documents listed therein.

U.S. Patents 4,975,877 and 4,712,194 listed on the Form PTO-1449, were cited in an Office Action dated June 6, 2002 pertaining to U.S. Application Serial No. 10/102,237, which claims priority to the same parent application (Application Serial No. 07/510,898, hereinafter, "the '898 application") as the instant application.

In addition, U.S. Patent 4,528,646 (hereinafter, "the '646 patent"), also listed on the Form PTO-1449, was cited in a brief dated August 30, 2002 submitted in an opposition proceeding filed against European patent 0 525 068 (hereinafter, "the EP '068") by Opposer OIII: Hynix Semiconductor (Deutschland) Gmbh. The EP '068 also claims priority to the '898 application. Attached hereto is a copy of this brief, along with a (noncertified) English translation thereof. Specific reference to the '646 patent may found starting on page 6 (in both the original and the translation).

It should be mentioned that the European Patent Office has issued, as an annex to a summons to attend oral proceedings in the above mentioned opposition proceeding, a preliminary nonamong other things, binding opinion regarding,

inventive step, and impermissible intermediate claim generalization of the EP '068. A copy of the summons, including the full annex is attached hereto.

Finally, other documents listed on the PTO-1449 were cited in a foreign litigation involving the EP '068 (i.e., Rambus Inc. vs Infineon Technologies AG, before the Regional Court of Mannheim, Germany), as some of the exhibits from the report of Dr. Lothar Thiele dated May 6, 2002. Dr. Thiele is a court appointed expert for that litigation. A copy of Dr. Thiele's report along with a (non-certified) English translation thereof are attached hereto. A listing of the exhibits may be found on page 59 of the translation and pages 63-64 of the original report).

It is believed that the Examiner may find the above mentioned documents material to the patentability of one or more of the claims in the instant application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his consideration formally of record with the next Action. Authorization to charge Applicants deposit account for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is attached hereto on a separate sheet.

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